

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

LISTING OF CLAIMS:

1. (currently amended) Storage device in particular for discs (13), ~~characterized in that it comprises~~ comprising:

a base (1), of which four walls, namely a front wall (2), a rear wall (3) and two side walls (4, 5), define a channel (6); and

one or more removable separating elements (7; 15) intended to be removably inserted in said channel (6), and each element consisting of a core (8; 16) of a rigid material covered on at least one of its surfaces with a compressible material (10; 17) and enclosed in a material (11; 18) not damaging to the objects (13) to be stored, wherein,

said compressible material (10, 17) has a rounded form with extra thickness in its center area.

2. (original) Device as claimed in claim 1, characterized in that said base (1) also comprises a wall constituting a base for said channel (6).

3. (withdrawn) Device as claimed in claim 2, characterized in that said wall constituting the base of said

channel (6) and the upper edge (20) of at least one of said front wall (2) and rear wall (3) have a convex form.

4. (withdrawn) Device as claimed in claim 1, characterized in that said rear wall (3) has a height greater than that of said front wall (2).

5. (withdrawn) Device as claimed in claim 1, characterized in that the edge facing the channel (6) of at least one of the front wall (2) and rear wall (3) of the base (1) has scalloping (19) of which the curvature matches that of the periphery of the disc (13).

6. (currently amended) Device as claimed in claim 1, characterized in that said removable separating elements (7) each comprise an elongated core (8) of ~~[[a]]~~ the rigid material with concertina-like transverse fold lines (9) and covered on one of its surfaces with ~~[[a]]~~ the compressible material (10) and enclosed in ~~[[a]]~~ the material (11) not damaging to the objects to be stored.

7. (withdrawn) Device as claimed in claim 6, characterized in that said side walls (4, 5) of the base (1) are inclined at a same angle (α) in relation to the vertical.

8. (withdrawn) Device as claimed in claim 7, characterized in that said transverse fold lines (9) are distributed over the core (8) of the separating element (7) so as to define an alternating sequence of short sides (21) and long sides (22) on said separating element (7).

9. (canceled)

10. (previously presented) Device as claimed in claim 1, characterized in that said base and said separating elements are separable.

11. (withdrawn) Device as claimed in claim 1, characterized in that said side walls (4, 5) of the base (1) are inclined at a same angle (a) in relation to the vertical.

12. (withdrawn) Device as claimed in claim 6, characterized in that said transverse fold lines (9) are distributed over the core (8) of the separating element (7) so as to define an alternating sequence of short sides (21) and long sides (22) on said separating element (7).

13. (new) A disk storage device, comprising:

a base; and

a concertina separating element removably inserted in

the base, wherein,

the base comprises four walls including a front wall, a rear wall, and two side walls, the four walls together defining a channel,

the separating element is foldable, at a series of transverse fold lines, from an elongated form to a compacted form with a concertina shape for insertion into the base,

the separating element comprises
i) a core of a rigid material with an elongated form and foldable at the fold lines, ii) a layer of a compressible material at a surface of the core, and iii) an envelope which surrounds both the core and the compressible material, the envelope providing a contact surface for objects to be stored in the device and made of a material not damaging to the objects, and

the compressible material has a rounded form with extra thickness in its center area for holding the objects.

14. (new) The device of claim 13, wherein,

the core is cardboard,

the compressible material is a cotton wool arranged on the surface of the core, and

the envelope is a viscose-acetate velvet.

15. (new) A disk storage device, comprising:

a base with walls together defining a channel; and

a separating element removably inserted in the channel of the base, wherein,

the separating element is foldable, at a series of transverse fold lines to a compacted form with a concertina shape for insertion into the channel,

the separating element comprises
i) a core of a rigid material with an elongated form and foldable at the fold lines, ii) a layer of a compressible material at a surface of the core, and iii) an envelope which surrounds both the core and the compressible material, the envelope providing a contact surface for objects to be stored in the device and made of a material not damaging to the objects, and

the compressible material has an extra thickness in its center area for holding the objects.

16. (new) The device of claim 15, wherein,
the core is cardboard.

17. (new) The device of claim 16, wherein,
the compressible material is a cotton wool arranged on the surface of the core.

18. (new) The device of claim 15, wherein,
the envelope is a viscose-acetate velvet.